



**CONNECTICUT FAMILY SUPPORT COUNCIL  
July 12, 2012 Meeting Minutes**

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Meeting Location: Office of Protection and Advocacy, Hartford

**In attendance:** Marie Bennett, Jennifer Carroll, Terry Cote, Sharon Dexler, Ann Gionet, Colleen Hayles, Karen Hlavac, Tesha Imperati (phone), Linda Mizzi, Lisa Sheppard, *Co-Chair*, Robyn Trowbridge, *Co-Chair*, Miriam Martinez Steve Hernandez, Esq.

**Excused Absence:** Sara Lourie

**Unexcused Absence:** Sylvia Gafford-Alexander, Mark Greenstein, M.D., Maureen Smith, Mona Tremblay

**Call to Order:** 10:10 a.m. by Lisa Sheppard, *Co-Chair*

Open for Public Comment – Jennifer Carroll  
AFCAMP Event  
Merva Jackson – Special Education Summit  
FSN – August 10, 2012 Rock Cats fundraiser

**Closed to the Public: 10:15 a.m.**

Introductions of each other and what area each represented.

**Review of Minutes from June 14, 2012 Meeting**

Attach links with corrections. Motion by Karen Hlavac to accept minutes with changes. Seconded by Jennifer Carroll.

**Old Business:**

Nominating committee: Jennifer Carroll thanked individuals who were part of the committee's report to the council.

The existing board has been re-nominated. No nominations from the floor. Jennifer Carroll made motion to approve the slate of officers: Lisa Sheppard, Robyn Trowbridge, Marie Bennett for FY 2013. Karen Hlavac seconded. Unanimously approved.

**New Business:**

Lodge at Camp Harkness – we can use on September 14, 2012 for the retreat.

Need to have a FSC member to be on the Camp Harkness Board. Mona or Lisa to be considered as part of the Camp Harkness Board.

Discussion about the September retreat at Camp Harkness (10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.).

School Climate:

Discussion of speakers

How will we be impacting this

Legislation – what is needed to make things happen, change

Governor's Prevention Council

Look at our priorities – each State agency – how will we be focusing on this

The Family Support Council agreed that this is a great opportunity to become involved with the School Climate as a committee. We will need additional information about the law.

Governor's Prevention Partnership: Steve Hernandez will put together information about the law and send out to us.

Learn the Legislation:

Overview of the law – Steve Hernandez

How the law will be implemented

Compliance

Examples of services

How can the Council support this law

(PATH Review)

FSN – what is your schools climate

Letter to the Commissioner requesting a guest speaker for the retreat

Personal contact as well

Based upon research results and programs

Sub-Committee for the September retreat

Steve Hernandez

Jennifer Carroll

Terry Cote

Lisa Sheppard

Robyn Trowbridge

Tesha Imperati

Annual Meeting – Retreat

**Meeting Adjourned at 11:44 a.m.**

**Next Meeting: Family Support Council Annual Retreat, Dorcas Lodge at Camp Harkness**

Minutes submitted by Marie Bennett, Secretary